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Field Crops

Squaring has occurred on 95 percent of the State's cotton acreage, behind last year and the five-year average. Seventy percent of the acreage has set bolls. Bolls opening is at 20 percent. The condition of the cotton crop remains mostly good. Alfalfa condition is mostly good to excellent. Harvesting is active on over three-fourths of the acreage across the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

This week Arizona growers remained active with the harvest of cantaloupes, honeydews and other miscellaneous melons.

Range and Pasture

Range and pastures continued to receive some much needed moisture from seasonal rains. Most rangeland remains in very poor to fair condition. Rain has added water to some stock tanks however they are not fully replenished and water hauling is necessary in a few areas.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	- Percent -							
Alfalfa	-	2	18	42	38			
Range and Pasture	36	28	20	14	2			
Cotton	-	-	13	65	22			

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.				
	- Percent -							
Cotton								
 Squaring 	95	90	97	98				
 Setting Bolls 	70	65	74	80				
Bolls Opening	20	17	21	11				

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal for the week ending July 31st, ranging from 2 degrees below normal at Paloma and Parker to 9 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 112 degrees at Buckeye. The lowest reading was 45 degrees at Grand Canyon. There was precipitation

recorded in all but 3 of the 22 weather stations. The least precipitation was recorded in Parker with 0.01 inches. The most precipitation was recorded in Willcox with 1.51 inches. Roll is the only area that has

above normal precipitation to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
July 25, 2011 - July 31, 2011								
	Temperature			Precipitation				
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal
Aguila	87	4	104	69	0.36	2.40	-2.79	46
Buckeye	93	2	112	75	0.14	2.40	-1.13	68
Canyon De Chelly	75	0	97	56	0.79	2.75	-1.94	59
Coolidge	88	2	107	71	0.00	1.34	-2.54	35
Douglas	79	2	96	65	1.26	1.99	-3.95	34
Flagstaff	68	2	88	51	1.27	8.56	-3.50	71
Grand Canyon	70	9	92	45	0.93	6.76	-4.85	58
Kingman	86	3	99	70	0.15	4.59	-0.44	91
Marana	90	5	106	75	0.15	1.75	-3.55	33
Maricopa	91	2	106	74	0.00	1.21	-2.51	33
Paloma	90	-2	107	73	0.70	2.73	-0.72	79
Parker	89	-2	107	71	0.01	1.74	-0.60	74
Payson	76	-1	90	59	0.36	6.93	-3.96	64
Phoenix	95	3	110	75	0.76	2.38	-1.15	67
Prescott	79	6	94	63	0.22	4.59	-5.32	46
Roll	93	2	110	74	0.00	1.49	0.25	120
Safford	83	0	100	65	0.02	0.97	-3.26	23
St. Johns	76	2	95	58	0.65	3.33	-1.96	63
Tucson	88	3	102	76	0.03	2.77	-2.57	52
Willcox	80	1	97	64	1.51	4.31	-1.37	76
Winslow	80	2	102	63	0.20	2.46	-1.14	68
Yuma	96	3	110	84	0.07	0.80	-0.44	65
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that w eek.								

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